WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

 A substrate for a semiconductor device comprising:

a crystalline silicon substrate;
an insulative silicon compound layer thereon

a crystalline insulation layer on said insulative silicon compound layer,

wherein said insulative silicon compound

layer contains not more than 10at% of component

element of a material constituting said crystalline

insulation layer, the component element being provided

in said insulative silicon compound layer by

diffusion.

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and

- 2. A semiconductor device substrate according to claim 1, wherein the component element is not more than 5at%.
- 20 3. A semiconductor device substrate according to Claim 1, wherein said crystalline insulation layer comprises at least one of YSZ, Al₂O₃, CeO₂, MgO, SrTiO₃ and ZrO₂, and said insulative silicon compound layer comprises at least one of silicon oxide, silicon nitride and silicon oxide nitride.
 - 4. A SOI substrate comprising said substrate for

the semiconductor device as defined in Claim 1, further comprising a crystalline silicon on said crystalline insulation layer.

5. A manufacturing method for a semiconductor device substrate, comprising:

ejecting in non-active gas a metal oxide constituting a crystalline insulation layer;

forming a crystal layer of a crystalline insulative material on a silicon substrate heated up to not lower than 400°C ;

forming an insulative silicon compound layer on said silicon substrate by oxygen diffusion from an oxide during said crystal layer formation step, oxygen diffusion during a temperature holding time after said crystal layer formation step and/or oxygen diffusion during cooling operation.

- 6. A method according to Claim 5, wherein said silicon substrate and said target are disposed opposed to each other in a sputtering apparatus, and discharge of the non-active gas supplied into the sputtering apparatus is produced to grow the crystal layer of said crystalline insulative material.
 - 7. A method according to Claim 5, wherein said target comprises ZrO_2 and Y_2O_3 which are mixed or

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which are solved; said non-active gas is argon; said crystalline insulation layer is YSZ; said insulative silicon compound is silicon oxide; and a component constituting the crystalline insulation layer which are contained in insulative silicon compound by diffusion is Zr and/or Y.

8. A method for manufacturing SOI substrate comprising a method as defined in Claim 5, wherein crystalline silicon film is formed on the crystalline insulation layer which is formed on the silicon substrate.